



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Kamel M. Shaheen

**Application No.:** 10/730,603

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
PERFORMING A HANDOFF IN AN INTER-  
EXTENDED SERVICE SET (I-ESS)

**Group:** 2666

**Examiner:** Shick C. Hom

Our File: I-2-0490.1US

Date: December 16, 2005

**REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action dated August 16, 2005 in conjunction with an appropriate extension of time. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is filed concurrently herewith.

Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: